



## **BEARFACTS 1989 – 1999**

### **Lafayette-Acadiana (BEA-EA) [57090]**

Lafayette-Acadiana is one of 179 BEA Economic Areas in the nation. Its 1999 population of 801,185 ranked 81st in the nation.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 1999 Lafayette-Acadiana had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$20,265. This PCPI ranked 161st in the United States and was 73 percent of the national average, \$27,939. The 1999 PCPI reflected a decrease of 0.8 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 national change was 3.9 percent. In 1989 the PCPI of Lafayette-Acadiana was \$12,449 and ranked 171st in the United States. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 5.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.2 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 1999 Lafayette-Acadiana had a total personal income (TPI) of \$16,235,950\*. This TPI ranked 91st in the United States. In 1989 the TPI of Lafayette-Acadiana was \$9,477,442\* and ranked 90th in the United States. The 1999 TPI reflected a decrease of 0.2 percent from 1998. The 1998-1999 national change was 5.1 percent. The 1989-1999 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.5 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Lafayette-Acadiana. In 1999 net earnings accounted for 63.2 percent of TPI (compared with 63.4 in 1989); dividends, interest, and rent were 17.0 percent (compared with 19.2 in 1989); and personal current transfer receipts were 19.8 percent (compared with 17.4 in 1989). From 1998 to 1999 net earnings decreased 0.7 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 1.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 3.1 percent. From 1989 to 1999 net earnings increased on average 5.5 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.9 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Lafayette-Acadiana decreased from \$11,544,155\* in 1998 to \$11,376,080\* in 1999, a decrease of 1.5 percent. The 1998-1999 national change was 6.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1989 estimate of \$6,671,404\* to the 1999 estimate was 5.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.6 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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